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From: Sarah Palin [gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 3:12 PM
To: Colberg; Talis J (LAW)
Subject: Re: FW: GT Indictment
do we use these guys?

"Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov> wrote:

Dear Governor Palin and Mr. Tibbles, This just came to me. I have no further information. Talis

From: Tillery, Craig J (LAW)
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 2:38 PM
To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)
Subject: FW: GT Indictment

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From: Harris, Bonnie E (LAW)
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 2:20 PM
To: Talo, Lui M SPC NGAK (DMVA Sponsored); Tillery, Craig J (LAW); Kobayashi, Tina (LAW);
Gordon, Nancy R (LAW)
Subject: FW: GT Indictment

The attached article contains information I thought you should be apprised of in case questions come up. The attached article is all I know of it.

Bonnie E. Harris
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From: Katchen, Jonathan W (LAW)
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 2:03 PM
To: Harris, Bonnie E (LAW)
Subject: GT Indictment

http://www.abajournal.com/news/greenberg_traurig_indicted_in_guam

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 7:25 PM
To: Kelly; Russell T (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
Cc: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Subject: Re: Press conf

I can be in the Anchorage office - teleconf - during that time if any participation or follow-up on my part is needed. Happy to do it.

-----Original Message-----

From: Russ Kelly
To: Russ Kelly
To: Mike Tibbles
To: Karen Rehfeld
To: Governor Sarah Palin
To: Sharon Leighow
Sent: Mar 13, 2008 7:20 PM
Subject: RE: Press conf

In case someone got left out of the loop. This presser seems fine, as it will be about the "three-legged stool." The Q&A could still be interesting. We're o.k. letting the Senate do the complaining...and will be ready to correct any misinformation.

RK

-----Original Message-----

From: Kelly, Russell T (GOV)
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 3:55 PM
To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV);
'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Press conf

Joint leadership will have a presser tomorrow at noon. This doesn't

have a good feel to it, but I'm going to keep taking the pulse and see what I can find out about it.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 6:08 PM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Leschper; Beth (GOV)
Subject: AIP

Pls note on yesterday's sched the taping of the AIP speech for their convention. Thanks

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To: Colberg; Talis J (LAW)
Subject: Fw: FW: GT Indictment

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From: "Galvin, Patrick S (DOR)" <patrick.galvin@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 13 Mar 2008 16:27:36

To: Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>, "Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>

Subject: RE: FW: GT Indictment

We'll ask our GT contacts for more information. It's something we'll have to keep a close eye on as it develops.

On the surface, it appears that it is merely collateral damage from their past association with Abramoff. We knew of the Abramoff connection, but GT has moved past that episode. GT is a huge firm, voted #1 in the US last year by the ABA.

There is no indication that this should color the stature GT holds in the gas pipeline regulation arena, but we have to be careful with perceptions.

-Pat

From: Sarah Palin [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 3:06 PM

To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Galvin, Patrick S (DOR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)

Subject: Fwd: FW: GT Indictment

Note: forwarded message attached.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 3:17 PM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: Re: Channel 2 - budget showdown?

Ok. Hopefully the other pubs will pick up. Pls submit to any others, incl Peninsula Clarion and the smaller rural papers also. And Eagle River Star. Thanks

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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 13 Mar 2008 15:02:34

To: ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: RE: Channel 2 - budget showdown?

Zencey passed - see below. I sent it to the Empire, Frontiersman and Ketchikan Daily News so far. Ketchikan has indicated they will run it.

Sharon,

I've taken another look at this, and I'm going to pass. I don't see a lot in there that adds to the coverage we've had of the earmark controversy (though it is a concise summary that covers multiple articles worth of information).

My decision might be different if the governor were the author and she hadn't had one in the past 30 days, but ... not under John's name, and not within 2 weeks of her last one.

Matt

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 2:43 PM

To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Kelly, Russell T (GOV); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Cc: Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV); Katz, John W (GOV); Leschper, Beth (GOV)

Subject: Re: Channel 2 - budget showdown?

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Wed, 12 Mar 2008 19:55:59

To: "Sharon Leighow" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>, "Russ Kelly" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov>, "Mike Tibbles" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Karen Rehfeld" <karen.rehfeld@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: Channel 2 - budget showdown?

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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Wed, 12 Mar 2008 11:19:30

To: "Kelly, Russell T (GOV)" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov>, gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: Channel 2 - budget showdown?

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Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 2:32 PM
To: adamdyrud@gmail.com
Subject: RE: Budget

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 3:16 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Budget

Web mail from: Mr. Adam Dyrud
address: 6320 SW Lombard Ave Beaverton OR 97008
503-933-6478

MESSAGE:

I would like to start by saying that I was born and raised in Anchorage, and am currently arranging my finances to move back to my homeland. I try to keep abreast of news and happenings in my home state, and saw something today that I wanted to comment on.

I am writing this after seeing a recent article in the ADN regarding your views of earmarks conflicting with the views of Ted Stevens. I wholeheartedly agree with your statement "Alaska has got to be more self-sufficient. We've got to be given the opportunity to start producing more and contributing more, providing jobs for Alaskans,".

I feel that we should not be dependent on govt. handouts, but depend only on our own hard work and smart money management to create opportunities for Alaskans.

Please keep fighting the good fight, and know that people believe in you.

Adam Dyrud

Alaskan currently residing in Oregon.

adamdyrud@gmail.com

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 12:02 PM
To: Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)
Subject: Re: RATIFIED, NO STRIKE FW: Contract Ratification Vote Results

Holy moly!!! Thanks!

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA)" <annette.kreitzer@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 13 Mar 2008 07:53:42

To: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Cc: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: RATIFIED, NO STRIKE FW: Contract Ratification Vote Results

Much better news!!!

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-----Original Message-----

From: Brooks, Kevin A (DOA)

Sent: Thu 3/13/2008 7:51 AM

To: Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA)

Subject: FW: Contract Ratification Vote Results

From: Bruce Ludwig [mailto:bludwig@apea-aft.org <mailto:bludwig@apea-aft.org>]

Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 7:16 AM

To: annette_kreitzer@alaska.gov; Brooks, Kevin A (DOA)

Subject: Contract Ratification Vote Results

From: Dennis Geary [mailto:DGeary@apea-aft.org <mailto:DGeary@apea-aft.org>
<mailto:DGeary@apea-aft.org <mailto:DGeary@apea-aft.org> >]

Sent: Wednesday, March 12, 2008 11:21 PM

To: Ludwig, Bruce (DOA sponsored)

Subject: Contract Ratification Vote Results

Ballots cast in the SU contract ratification vote were counted tonight in the Anchorage Field Office of the APEA/AFT. The majority of the members who cast ballots, voted to ratify the contract.

NEARLY 85% OF THE ENTIRE SUPERVISORY UNIT VOTED!!!

Thanks for all the participation and support throughout the process.

Your negotiating team.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 10:51 AM
To: Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA)
Subject: Re: SU Contract Ratified No Strike

Wow! See how the rank and file is so different than their leadership? Amazing. Still amazing though that they chose not to consider the 40 hr.

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Kreitzer, Annette E (DOA)" <annette.kreitzer@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 13 Mar 2008 09:59:23

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: SU Contract Ratified No Strike

Just making sure you got this - I just bounceback saying the message I sent earlier didn't get through to you.

I had thought we were on the road to a strike, but 85% of the membership voted and the majority voted to accept the terms.

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 10:23 AM
To: joplinjan13@yahoo.com
Subject: RE: Other

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Wednesday, March 12, 2008 1:23 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Ms. Ms. Ms. Janice Weiler
address: 311 Dailey Ave Unit 21 Anchorage AK 99515

MESSAGE:

We understand that you have been discussed as a possible choice for the Vice Presidency.

As people who support the democratic process and care about protecting our wildlife for future generations, we want you to know that we don't believe people in our states would vote for you for any office if they knew your record on these issues.

It is troubling that you are now working to deny more than 50,000 Alaskans a vote on aerial killing of wolves and bears with legislation now being considered in the Alaska legislature.

It is deeply concerning that last year you proposed using helicopters and a \$150 bounty to spur wolf killing in specified management zones -- despite strong scientific opposition to the state's aerial hunting program and the lack of reliable information on how many wolves

actually exist in these areas.

And it is baffling that you appointed your high school basketball coach -- a man with no relevant experience -- to the state's board of game, and have condoned a \$400,000 state-funded propaganda campaign to convince Alaskans that wildlife biologists from around the world are wrong when they say that the state's shooting of wolves and bears from airplanes is scientifically unfounded.

We sincerely hope that you will recognize the importance of respecting the democratic process and protecting Alaska's wildlife in the future. But until then, you will not have the support of those of us who care about the democratic process and protecting our natural treasures for future generations.

joplinjan13@yahoo.com

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 9:41 AM
To: dredferaco@msn.com
Subject: RE: Other

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Sent: Wednesday, March 12, 2008 4:21 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Other

Web mail from: Dr. Dr. Dr. Dr. Ed Feraco
address: PO Box 530 Kotzebue AK 99752

MESSAGE:

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From: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 9:10 AM
To: kendew@acsalaska.net
Subject: RE: Seniors

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From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]
Sent: Wednesday, March 12, 2008 7:45 PM
To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
Subject: Seniors

Web mail from: Kenneth Brewer
address: 1701 Tamarack Street Fairbanks AK 99709
(907) 452-2919

MESSAGE:

OOP's pushed the wrong button. According to the constitution section13. Form of Bills. The purpose of the constitutional requirement that every bill be confined to one subject is to prevent the inclusion of incongruous and unrelated matters in the same bill in order to get support for it. I am sure that every city, town and village could stand to have more capital improvements. In real life situations I would like to make some capital improvements in my personal life situation, unfortunately I see into the future and although the governments will not except an idea of a recession, I have news for everyone. It's here and it's going to get worse. With the cost of fuel I have to stop all my captial improvements and start saving for my next fuel bill. I suggest that are legislatures be advised to do the same with the states money. Kendew

kendew@acsalaska.net

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 8:38 AM
To: Mason; Janice L (GOV)
Cc: Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Re: Sched

Importance: High

Never mind, I see now they're meeting after lunch, not at 11. That's perfect. Thanks!

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Thu, 13 Mar 2008 16:37:09

To: "Janice Mason" <janice.mason@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Kris Perry" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: Sched

Can mayors meet earlier than 11 on friday? I have to be somewhere at 11:50, so will be leaving Anchorage office around 11:40.

-----Original Message-----

From: Janice Mason

To: Governor Sarah Palin

Cc: Kris Perry

Sent: Mar 13, 2008 8:20 AM

Subject: RE: Sched

I have noted on calendar - Thanks, Janice

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

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Web mail from: Les Buchholz
address: 48450 Priairie AV Soldotna AK 99669

MESSAGE:

Stay on track with your veto ability. The projects of last year can be on an open bond election.

Make their budget request very public, out in the open.

And if very large, have the people of Alaska vote on it.

The legislature and huff and puff, but the people are behind you and keep putting their issues out in open. They dont like public oversight and will feel it in the voting booths which you can mention on TV.

Keep it honest, out in the open and straight talk. You have most Alaskans behind you in a big way!

lsbuch@acsalaska.net

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Subject: Fw: earmarks article

Right out of the shoot the first comment I received was positive about the article. I haven't read it yet.

-----Original Message-----

From: Ivy personal
To: Governor Sarah Palin
Sent: Mar 13, 2008 6:48 AM
Subject: earmarks article

I thought your msg was great in cockerham's story this morning. Stevens' argument isn't compelling-that is job is made harder b/c of the state. You get it that the state has to be more self sufficient. Off to anc...see you up there. ivy frye

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know-it-all with Yahoo! Mobile. Try it now. [http://mobile.yahoo.com/;](http://mobile.yahoo.com/;_ylt=Ahu06162sR8HDtDypao8Wcj9tAcJ)
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To: Kelly; Russell T (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV)
Cc: Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV)
Subject: Re: Vetoes

OK, then immediately after they take the vote, If I veto it will be publicly stated on the record that the veto is coming so we don't participate in any dramatic build up on "will she or won't she".

They just don't understand that Alaskans will be agreeing with us that the supplemental is NOT the place for this, and folks are tired of these power struggle games. It can be a calm, diplomatic veto announcement, and ideally I'd have a few leggies standing with me as we announce our enthusiasm for working together on the '09 cap budget, where their discretionary funds can fund those life and death necessities like BERT'S BATTING CAGES. Sheesh.

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From: "Kelly, Russell T (GOV)" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov>

Date: Thu, 13 Mar 2008 06:48:12

To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com, "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Cc: "Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV)" <karen.rehfeld@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: Vetoes

Once the bill is transmitted to us, you have 15 days to act (not including Sundays). We can't be sure when the legislature will get it to us, but it will likely be very soon after passage.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Cc: Kelly, Russell T (GOV); Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV)

Sent: Thu Mar 13 06:41:29 2008

Subject: Vetoes

How long from when Legislature adopts that supplemental w/the cap projects will I have to veto?

My intention is IF we go the veto route, we veto immediately (or at least state on the record the veto is immediately forthcoming, depending on proper/legal transmittal time of the budget up to my desk). I'm not going to play a prolonged game of torture, we just do it and see if they'll override, and we all then get to concentrate on capital budget. Be ready for them to butcher our operating budget, but we're always up for smaller govt. Don't know how we deal with Sr Benefits, hopefully we can find the \$ elsewhere until the ,09 budget is adopted.

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From: John Katz [jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 6:01 AM
To: Sharon Leighow; Governor Sarah Palin
Cc: Beth Leschper; Karen Rehfeld; Michael Tibbles; Kris Perry
Subject: Congressional Earmarks/Senator Stevens - CONFIDENTIAL - ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGE

I was disappointed to read Senator Stevens' comments about the position of the Palin administration on Congressional earmarks in today's ADN. I thought that we had addressed his concerns in our meeting with him a couple of weeks ago.

Apparently, the State can't do anything right on this. If we respond to the consistent messages of the Congressional delegation and the Bush administration to reduce earmark requests, we are somehow making it more difficult for the delegation to obtain earmarks for Alaska. If we fail to heed these messages, including a State or local match, then we are ignoring the realities and making it more difficult for the delegation.

When I drafted the Op-Ed piece you requested, I didn't know about Sean Cockerham's impending article. However, I do think that it addresses the points raised by the Senator.

I presume it's still best to seek publication of the Op-Ed, but I wish we could put all of this behind us and the delegation. Senator Stevens is right about one thing; this constant conflict in the media hurts Alaska.

Perhaps, this would be a good issue to take up with Senator Murkowski while she's in Juneau next week. What we are actually doing on earmarks simply has no relation to the public commentary.

Please note that my email address has changed. My new email address is jwkatz@alaskadc.org. Thank you .

8/31/2009

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From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SWLEIGHOW]
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 12:24 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; Katz; John W (GOV); Persily; Larry A (GOV)
Cc: Leschper; Beth (GOV)
Subject: ADN passed on the Op Ed - FYI

We will shop this to other publications.

From: Zencey, Matt [mailto:MZencey@adn.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 12:11 PM
To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)
Subject: RE: please use this one - two minor edits

Sharon,

I've taken another look at this, and I'm going to pass. I don't see a lot in there that adds to the coverage we've had of the earmark controversy (though it is a concise summary that covers multiple articles worth of information).

My decision might be different if the governor were the author and she hadn't had one in the past 30 days, but ... not under John's name, and not within 2 weeks of her last one.

Matt

-----Original Message-----

From: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV) [mailto:sharon.leighow@alaska.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, March 12, 2008 10:11 AM
To: Zencey, Matt
Subject: Op Ed

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From: Colberg, Talis J (LAW) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TJCOLBERG]
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 1:31 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: FW: FW: Email to Gov. Palin

Dear Governor Palin, I just received this. I can't tell if you already got it or not. Myron Naneng is the president of AVCP in the Kuskokwim Delta, a plaintiff in the federal Yupik language voting rights case against the State of Alaska, a member of the VPSO task force and an outspoken advocate of enhanced tribal power and authority. He will undoubtedly circulate this to most of Alaska's Native leadership in a short time if he has not already done so. Talis

From: Myron P. Naneng [mailto:mnaneng@avcp.org]
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 1:18 PM
To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)
Subject: Fwd: FW: Email to Gov. Palin

----- Original Message -----

From: laura@preeclampsia.org
To: jackiem_sr@yahoo.com; sicharters@hotmail.com
CC: Senator_Albert_Kookesh@legis.state.ak.us; wanderson@koniag.com
Subject: Email to Gov. Palin
Date: Wed, 12 Mar 2008 11:00:44 -0800

Message

FIL, and Uncle, I'm not quite sure who else to email about this nasty fellow I overheard in line last night. Apparently, he was chatting with the Commissioner of Fish and Game for the State.

Who is working on subsistence that I might could forward this to? I'm afraid they'll sweep my email under the carpet and not do anything about it.

laura

-----Original Message-----

From: Laura Muller [mailto:laura@preeclampsia.org]

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Sent: Wednesday, March 12, 2008 10:45 AM
To: 'dfg.commissioner@alaska.gov'
Subject: Email to Gov. Palin

Mr. Lloyd.

I came to email you this morning (as I've emailed the Governor's Office) about a distressing and offensive conversation I couldn't help but overhear in line last night as I waited for security coming from Juneau to Anchorage. I am sure you can imagine my surprise after seeing your picture that you're actually the recipient of this conversation, so you probably already know what I am about to say, but I thought that as a courtesy, I'd forward what I'd written to Gov. Palin's office and will email to some other folks I'm familiar with who have an interest in Native Subsistence rights.

Sincerely,
Laura Muller- Anchorage

Last night, I had the misfortune to be ahead of a presumed state employee while in line for security flying from Juneau to Anchorage.

This man was quite chatty with his companion; he said that his job was to keep "things from coming across the governor's desk" and that he was down in Juneau interviewing for a job. The Department of Fisheries was mentioned, and the Federal Subsistence Board.

Then he went on to describe how difficult it is to work with "those Native people" on the Federal Subsistence board and that they really ruined everything by throwing out "the Native card" all the time. He thought it was funny that 'they' though HE was depriving them of their "Native rights", and he and his companion had a good laugh about it. His comments were denigrating and clearly contemptuous of the folks he works with. It is clear that this man has no intention of working cooperatively with anyone, and the fact that he had the arrogance to announce it in the Juneau airport has me quite angry.

I understand both as an Alaskan Native and person familiar with the political process that having people in positions of power who agree with your position aren't always possible, but I would hope that even if folks disagree that they don't publicly denigrate their opponents in public places. I keep trying to figure out what is making me more angry- that he was pompous and arrogant enough to say those things in a line from Juneau to Anchorage, or that this person with *clearly* impaired judgment would be considered for a position that would further allow him to treat people disrespectfully.

Sincerely,
Laura Muller

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From: Colberg, Talis J (LAW) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TJCOLBERG]
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 3:20 PM
To: 'Sarah Palin'
Subject: RE: FW: GT Indictment

Dear Governor Palin, Yes, they are the primary counsel to the gas line team on rate making and FERC matters. Their two best known attorneys for us are Don Shepler and Ken Meinsinger. They are budgeted for 4.7 million this fiscal year although only \$861,000 of that has been billed by them so far. They had been hired by legislative counsel before us about a year ago. Marty and Tom would be familiar with them. Talis

From: Sarah Palin [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 3:12 PM
To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)
Subject: Re: FW: GT Indictment

do we use these guys?

"Colberg, Talis J (LAW)" <talis.colberg@alaska.gov> wrote:

Dear Governor Palin and Mr. Tibbles, This just came to me. I have no further information. Talis

From: Tillery, Craig J (LAW)
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 2:38 PM
To: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)
Subject: FW: GT Indictment

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From: Harris, Bonnie E (LAW)
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 2:20 PM
To: Talo, Lui M SPC NGAK (DMVA Sponsored); Tillery, Craig J (LAW); Kobayashi, Tina (LAW); Gordon, Nancy R (LAW)
Subject: FW: GT Indictment

The attached article contains information I thought you should be apprised of in case questions come up. The attached article is all I know of it.

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From: Katchen, Jonathan W (LAW)
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 2:03 PM
To: Harris, Bonnie E (LAW)
Subject: GT Indictment

http://www.abajournal.com/news/greenberg_traurig_indicted_in_guam

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From: Leschper, Beth (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=MCLESCHPER]
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 11:27 AM
To: Governor Palin; govpalin@alaska.gov
Cc: Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Nizich; Michael A (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Bailey; Frank T (GOV)
Subject: Your Newsletter

Here is the link to the final draft of this month's newsletter:

http://gov.state.ak.us/newsletter/PAF_March2008.php

I'm giving a hard copy to Janice for your review.

Beth

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From: Mason, Janice L (GOV) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE
GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=JLMASON]
Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 2:33 PM
To: Sarah Palin
Cc: Perry, Kristina Y (GOV)
Subject: Scheduling

Scheduling Requests:

Michael Dukes has called and would like you to call into his show on Tuesday, 03.18 from 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. I have added this as tentative to your calendar.

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Sent: Thursday, March 13, 2008 1:15 PM
To: 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
Subject: FW: Update on matters

Dear Governor Palin, Mike Tibbles and I had lunch together yesterday and I told him I had sent you a memo (below) on Indian issues. He asked if he could see it. Would it be okay to forward the pertinent parts of the memo below to him?
Thanks Talis

From: Colberg, Talis J (LAW)
Sent: Tuesday, March 11, 2008 10:25 AM
To: gov.sarah@yahoo.com
Subject: Update on matters

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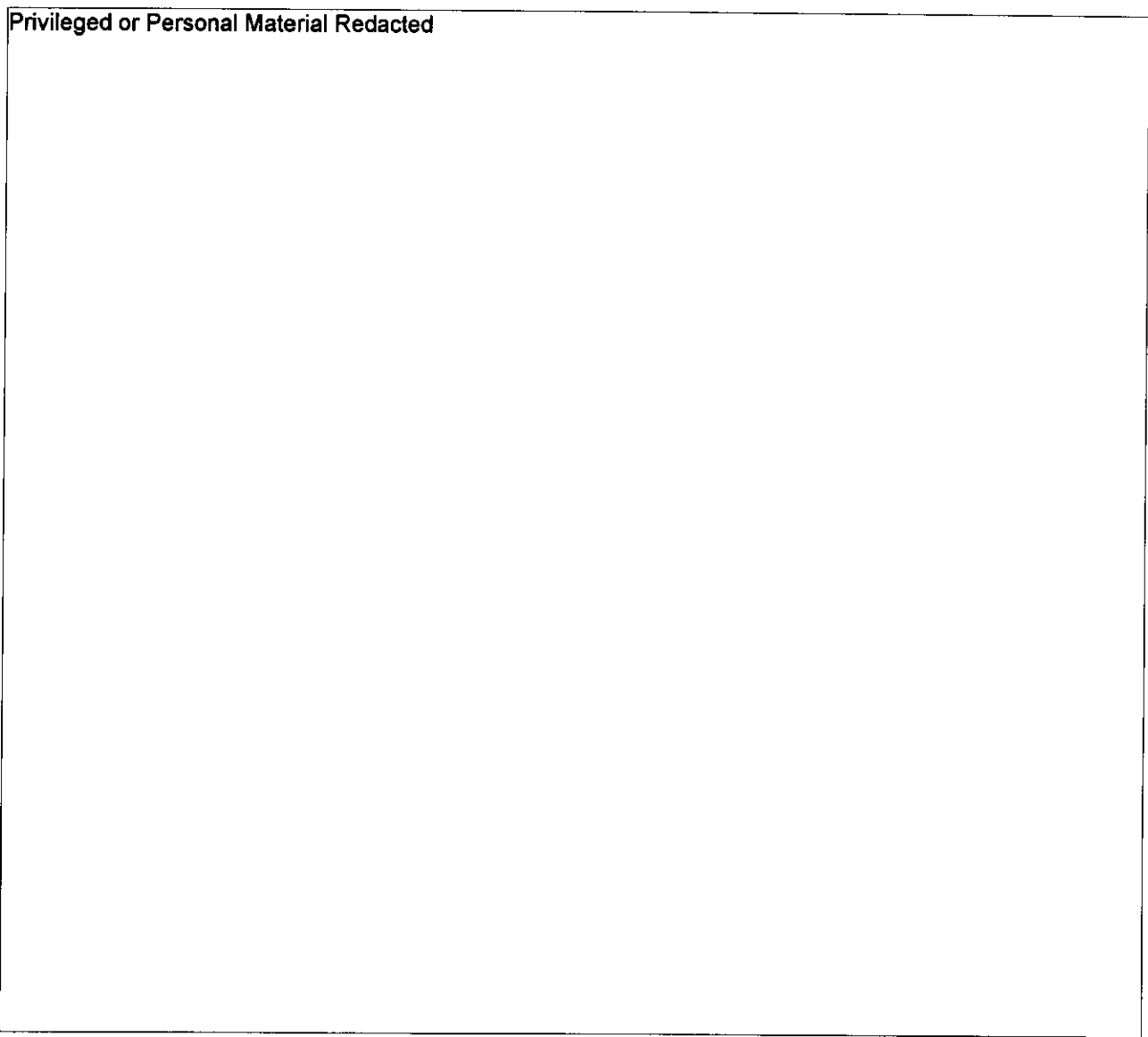
Dear Governor Palin,

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